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Re: U.S. Patent No. 6,997,915 B2
Serial No. 09/879,494
Our File: PPC0787US

Dear Sir:

Our records indicate that the above-identified patent, as issued, contains the following error(s):

In claim 1, column 16, line 46, "ax" should be -- an --.

Please make proper record in the above-mentioned patent file.

Very truly yours,

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